Women Golfers Give Back (WGGB) Invites You to Share Your Passion for Golf!

WGGB gives back by promoting the game of golf for girls who would not otherwise have a chance to play.

Our Mission
To support golf programs for girls in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware that encourage personal development through unique opportunities for skill-building, playing and competing.

Our Founding Belief
Exposure to golf and the character-building aspects of the game will help girls develop leadership and communication skills and lead to greater educational and career opportunities—all while exercising and having fun!

Women Golfers Give Back
600 W. Germantown Pike
Suite 400
Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462

An Unforgettable Golfing Experience for Our Future Stars

In anticipation of hosting the 2022 Curtis Cup, an international competition between the top female amateur golfers in the United States, Great Britain and Ireland, the women of Merion Golf Club welcomed ten young girls from WGGB Grantee Programs to play Merion on August 6. Teamed up with their Merion hosts, the girls played nine holes on the West Course. The four top-scoring WGGB players moved on to a one-hole playoff on the legendary East Course 18th hole.

For the first time ever, Cierra Griffith, Nicole Yun, Celia Breslin and Bella Magno experienced the thrill of playing the course Jack Nicklaus once said, “Acre for acre, may be the best test of golf in the world.” Each was paired with a Merion Assistant Pro who donned a caddy bib and carried the girl’s golf bag, and these future stars were cheered on by an enthusiastic crowd of women golfers who followed them along the hole.

Nicole Yun from Linfield National Players’ Program, participated in both our June mini-tournament and the Merion outing. She wrote to WGGB afterwards to share her appreciation:

“I wanted to tell you how incredibly grateful I am to have been able to play at Whitemarsh Valley Country Club and Merion Golf Club due to this amazing organization. It was so nice to see and play a course professionals have played before. The Merion environment was very welcoming, and it was a once in a lifetime opportunity.

I am honored that Women Golfers Give Back is able to create great opportunities for young girls like me. I am overwhelmed from the encouraging atmosphere this organization provides, and I loved every minute of each event.”—Nicole Yun

Visit us at www.womengolfersgiveback.org

© Women Golfers Give Back
Dear friends of WGGB,

Women Golfers Give Back had a great year in 2021. Despite the ongoing threat of COVID-19, our programs are full of girls eager to learn new skills and develop new friendships. Golf is booming across the globe because it is a terrific way to socially distance in a beautiful environment, be with friends and exercise.

WGGB is booming, too. With the increased demand on our girls’ golf programs, we are happy to report we raised a record amount from our charity golf tournament this year - $130,000! Thanks so much to our Lead Sponsor, Bryn Mawr Trust, and all of our sponsors (see page 6). A special thanks to Golf Galaxy and the Dick’s Sporting Goods Foundation’s Sports Matter Program for a generous grant of $15,000. These funds are essential to helping us to grow golf for girls in our region.

Our charity golf tournament at Whitemarsh Valley Country Club was a great success despite a rain delay, thanks to the tireless work of Co-chairs Alexis Hollander, Meghan Holobetz and Leila Mackie and their entire committee. It was so inspiring to have the girls from our programs back in attendance for clinics, scramble and lunch this year, after school schedules and COVID prevented them from attending in 2020. Next year, the tournament will be held at St. Davids Golf Club in Wayne, PA. Please save the date for June 27, 2022, 1:00 p.m. shotgun, and plan to attend.

WGGB’s grantmaking totaled $110,000 in 2021. We funded eight Clinic Programs for early golfers and six Players’ Programs for more advanced players, plus a high school girls’ golf tournament and a regional girls’ golf tour. You will learn more about the programs and read highlights of some of our players throughout this newsletter. We are proud to be the driving force behind girls’ golf in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware.

I must also thank the board of directors of WGGB for their hard work throughout the year. It is a delight to work with such dedicated, talented women and WGGB is so lucky to have them. I’m pleased to announce WGGB added two new board members this year, Lisa Pool and Suzanne Betz. A special thanks to our retiring board members, Marji Goldman, Liz Greco-Rocks and Jill Susi. They have invested so much time and energy in WGGB and we are a stronger, better organization because of their work.

Since this is our one appeal of the year, we hope you will consider supporting WGGB with a donation. Your gift is essential in helping support the programs to teach our girls not only golf, but all the life-lessons that inherently go with it.

Sincerely yours,

Alexandra Frazier, President & Founder
Women Golfers Give Back
Girls Golf of West Chester’s Annual French Creek Outing is a Hit

WGGB grantees program, LPGA-USGA Girls Golf of West Chester, had its annual French Creek Golf Club outing and Ice Cream Social in August. Congratulations to Celia Breslin for winning the individual stroke play and many thanks to Judy Uhrich, a long-time volunteer, for putting it together. The girls love the event, and the weather was great this year! The grantees program, run by Cathy Reynolds, was also proud to see several grantees join the girls golf teams at area high schools: two at Downingtown East, two at Downingtown West, one at Great Valley and one at Owen J. Roberts.

WGGB grantees Molly Barr was one of only 40 girls invited to attend the elite LPGA Leadership Conference this October at the USGA campus in New Jersey. Molly is just 13 years old and has been in the LPGA-USGA Girls Golf of West Chester players program for 3 years. She just entered 8th grade at Downingtown Middle School.

Another grantees, Madeleine Gross, is proving to be quite a golfer at only 10 years old. She progressed to the second round of the Drive/Chip/Putt contest for 2021 and is looking forward to going to the finals in the future. Watch out for Madeleine as a mighty 11-year-old when she tries to qualify for nationals next season.

WGGB Alumna Christina Carrol Makes History in Delaware

We love to follow the success stories of the women and girls who have been a part of our program and growth for many years. Congratulations to Christina Carroll, First Tee of Delaware alumna, for making history in the 2021 Delaware Open. Christina was the first Woman and African American Woman to qualify for the 40-player tournament and finished with 5 birdies.

It was the latest in an exciting string of events for Christina, who also qualified for the 2021 USGA Women’s Amateur and was the first woman from Delaware to accomplish this while in college—she is a current member of the University of Delaware Women’s Golf Team. While she ultimately didn’t make the cut, “she gained good experience”, stated Christina’s proud father and First Tee of Delaware Coach Henry Carroll. Qualifying for this tournament is no easy feat – Christina placed 2nd with 72 in a regional qualifier to earn her spot at Westchester Golf & Country Club. Nearly 1500 players around the world vie for a spot and only 156 make the starting field.
Women Golfers Give Back is thrilled to report that between our June 2021 tournament, online auction, raffle and generous donations, we raised a record $130,000 to support girls’ golf programs. Thank you to all our sponsors and supporters for making this another successful year for WGGB and our grantees!

The day started with a clinic for our younger grantees with LPGA and PGA pros, and a 9-hole competition for our older grantees. See photos of the girls in action and 6-hole tournament winners on the WGGB Facebook page. Seeing them play, learn, and love golf is what brings it all home for all who support our organization. We were particularly thrilled to host this year, after having to cancel it in 2020 to ensure the health and safety of our girls.

Congratulations to the winners! Allie Adams, Avery Bell, Cierra Griffith, and Nicole Yun from Linfield National Players’ Program captured first place with a score of 21 for 5 holes; Quinn McManus, Daia Dawkins, Emily Mayo and Ann Firko from First Tee of Delaware came in second with a score of 25.

continued on next page
Clinic Program Grantees

First Tee of Delaware $10,000
First Tee of Greater Philadelphia $15,000
First Tee of Greater Trenton $10,000
Girls Golf of Valley Forge $0*
Girls Golf of West Chester $7,500
Live Golf $5,000
Makefield Highlands $1,900
YWCA of Bethlehem Clinic Program $8,000

Players' Program Grantees

First Tee of Delaware $12,000
Girls Golf Players' Program of Honeybrook $10,500
Girls Golf Revolution $10,000
Linfield National Players’ Program $11,600
Peggy Kirk Bell Girls Golf Tour $5,000
YWCA of Bethlehem Players’ Program $3,500

*Due to inability to hold programs during COVID-19, carried over 2020 grant to fund 2021 programs
Call to Action!
You Can Help “Give Back” — Here’s How:
• Volunteer—share your time and talent
• Run a 50/50 at one of your events to benefit WGGB
• Sell mulligans at one of your member-guest tournaments to benefit WGGB
• Run a weekly event at your club to help WGGB
• Spread the word about our great work to other golfers
• Host a Charity Day at your club
• Get on our email/snail mail lists
• Friend us on Facebook
• Make a donation to WGGB (tax-deductible)

Contact Us
womengolfersgiveback@gmail.com

WGGB Marketing Committee
Kristy DelMuto
Dyana Bauley
Brittany Ek
Meghan Holobetz
Suzanne McDevitt
Alyssa Shand-Perreault
Liza Walling
Rachel Wolfson

Follow us on

Girls’ Golf of Valley Forge Mentorship Program

Imagine for a moment… you’re 7 years old, new to golf and show up not knowing any of the other girls so you don’t make eye contact and act a bit shy. You are enthusiastically greeted by a bigger girl dressed for golf who seems to know more than a little about it. Immediately, you look up to this young woman and want to play like her. GGVF’s advanced players act as mentors who greet girls as they arrive, get them a bottle of water and snack, and make sure everyone is prepared for a hot day.

Once signed in, girls are split up in two groups – one for learning swing basics and the other for short game and putting work. As the pros give instruction, the advanced players/mentors assist in both groups as extra hands working one on one with the girls on the drills they remember from long ago. The young girls often open up about frustrations and triumphs and, of course, everyday life. They connect with these more experienced mentors and respect them for their knowledge and passion for the game. The advanced players have been thrilled with the chance to help younger girls learn the game they love. It is a beautiful beginning to friendships that should last a lifetime!

This year, Camryn Odum, one of GGVF’s newest beginners, thrilled with the chance to help younger girls learn the game they love. It is a beautiful beginning to the fringe of the green from 10 feet away!

Thank You For Helping Us Enrich Girls’ Lives Through Golf

DONORS
Meghan Adams
Janice & Peter Albert
Mindy Aldridge
John M. Alward
Stephen Amorinello
Abigail Anderson
Susan Apapthy
Barbara & Virginia Arena
Kathleen K. Armstrong
Monica Ayers
Alexandra Baker
Stephanie Baldwin
The Ball Family Foundation
Mary Barlow
Diane Barlow
Joanne Bass
Peter Batchelor
Sherry Beck
Pat Berenato
Rob Bernstein
Suzanne Betts
William Betts
Deborah Diddick Biamon
Rob Bierregaard
Charles Biskell
Theresa Booz
Beth Brennan
Jon Brower
Bryn Mawr Trust
Sharon & James Byrne
Leslie Carroll
Sally Castle
Edie Canston-Fontanot
Barbara Cattie
Cynthia & John Clough
Juanita Condon
Patti Q. Connolly
Dale Cress
Janice Cusack
Maggy Cooper
Lesley Costello
Lyn & John Coyne
Donna Dalusio
John D’amelio
Karen D’Angelo
Sue Deakein
Rebecca Dengler
Amish Desai
Nanci DiCostanzo
Dick’s Sporting Goods Foundation
Diversified Search
Cathy Dolan
Chris & Charley Dolan
Jennifer Dorfmeister
Beth Downey
Robert Donato III
Kimberly Dricoll
Nancy Dunleavy
Nancy & Richard
Drummond
Anwesha Dutta
Meredith Joan Earley
Kathry & Roger Early
Carol Jane Eastwood
Linda Edie
Elderlee, Inc.
Shannon Ellidge
Mary Farrell
Emily & Chris Fearay
Anita Ficker
Karen Fiori
Lisa Fisher Gauthier
Jennifer & Ali Flasher
Sarah Fleming
Lindsay & Mike Forgang
Dorothy Foster
Kathy Fox
Mary Ann Frampton
Becky Frazier
Alexandra & Tom Frazier
Jean Frisy
Janet Gagne
Angelica Ganser
Kim & Ed Garino
Patty & Ed Garmo
Dina & Jim Gibson
GSL & Associates at
Merrill Lynch
Marij Goldman
Eleanor Good
Robert Good
Michael Goodman
Grand Thornton
Dale Gress
Lisa Griffin
Casey & John Hamblett
Alta & Peter Hamilton
Anne & Matt Hamilton
Linda Hankin
Chris Hanlon
Nancy Harris
Pamela Harris
The Haverford Trust
Connie Heppenstall
Louise & Harry Hill
Elizabeth Hing
Lydia Holiat
Alexis & David Hollander
Independence Blue Cross
Jamary Montgomery Scott
David Jennings
Carol Johnson
Cathie Johnson
Annette T. Kaiser
Karen Kaufel McCulley
Donna Kaye
Kathryl Kellenbenz
Wendy & Mark Kennedy
Christine Kiernan
Susan & Jeff Klauder
Bill & Carol Knott
Diane Kolodzieski
Wendi Kotzen
KPMG, LLP
Daniel Kressel
Mary Ritty
Johanna Kung
Stephen Kuritz
Robert Levitt
Christopher Lewis
Deborah Light
LLR Partners
Paul LaNoce
Lori E. Lombardo
Ellen Lordi
Terry Luft
Margaret Mackie
Janet & Donald MacLaren
Eileen Magagni
Sarah Magliocchetti
Ellen & Christopher
Megure
Debbie Maune
Stephanie Malin
Diane Mallory
Betsy Manderino
Laura & Samuel Marshall
Charles Mayo
Susanne & Joe McDevitt
Eileen McDonell
Lisa & Jeff McGill
Stephanie & John
McGowan
Susan McKenzie
Florence McKeown
Mary McNamara
Gail McNeil
Carol Mills
Noniee & Jeff Mohler
Sharon & John Molinelli
Mary Monroe
Rhonda & James Morde
Martha Morse
Lauren Multibaker
E. Murdoch Family
Foundation
Janice & Britton Murdoch
Carolyn Murphy
Dr. Vincent Muscarella
Andrew Nehtbas
Susan & Burn Odenwelder
Lisa & Jim O’Connell
Ann O’Keefe
James O’Neill
Judith S. Owens
Richard Owens
Meg & Billy Packer
Virginia Palmer
Kathryn & Daniel Pederni
Penn Mutual Life
Insurance Company
PGA Reach
Sally Pinyon
Lisa & Jake Pool
Betsy Porth
Gibson Vaughan
Kapila Ratnam
Louise Reed
Gayle Reedy
Shari Rex
Cathy Reynolds
Hope Riley
Anne & Michael Rhoads
Kim & Chris Robinson
Han & M. Joseph
Rocks
Janice Rolnik
David Rosen, MD
Neil Rosenbaum
John Rothberg
Michale & David
Rubenstein
Penney & Paul Rubincam
The Safeguard Group, Inc.
Becky Sanderson
Carl Schenk
Susan Selverian
Lisa Shearman
Charles Sheppard II
Alison Shoemaker
Julie Shuck
Debra Shulski
Jessica & Casey Shure
Nancy & Marc Shriver
Gren Siegel
Annerhine & Andrew
Signore
Kimberly Simmons
Damon Sleipan
Anne & John Sly
Rupert Smit
Susan G. Smith
Judith Soltz
Alice & Geoffrey Stengel
Sarah Stoll
Stone Bank Nurseries Inc
Susan & Burn Odenwelder
Jill Susi
Nina & James Talbot
Suean Tzall
Jacqueline Tasey
Christine Testa
Carol & Turk Thatcher
Steve & Chris Thompson
Sydney Toland
Carolyn Torchiana
Christina & David Tritton
Wendy Tow
Bradley J. Tufts
Donna Turk
Jane Turk
Joseph & Turk
Univest
Phyllis Vai
Bonnie & Jim Van Alen
Luke Van Alen
C. R. Vincicomo
Angela & Joe Virdone
Judee & Clay
von Seldeneck
Dorothy C. Wackerman
Nancy Wackerman
Janet Wallert
Elizabeth Walling
Barbara Walsh
Lee & Bill Warden
Carol Warner
Wawa, Inc.
Binnie Wieland
Jewel Whaley
Samuel Wheeler
Judy & Richard
Wolstenholme
Kenneth Wilhelm
Kathleen Wolffgang
Maryanne Wurst
Christina & Thomas
Yeager
Thomas Yazz"
Peggy Kirk Bell Tour Teaches Life-Long Lessons

With closely aligned missions, Women Golfers Give Back has been supporting the Peggy Kirk Bell Tour (PKBT) for the past three years. PKBT is a dedicated, "Girls Only Tour" that aims to actively increase girls’ participation and interest in golf by providing cost-conscious access to the sport with a specific focus on girls’ development in partnership with LPGA-USGA Girls Golf. PKBT offers over 110 tournaments annually for different levels of play for girls ages 9 - 19.

WGGB committee member Taylor Hollander had the chance to attend the PKBT Linville Cup this winter at Pinehurst as a Team Captain for the Mid-Atlantic Region. Eight girls from our area competed in a series of Select Drive/Alternate Shot matches against teams from other PKBT regions around the U.S.

Participating in the Linville Cup is a reward for girls who’ve worked exceptionally hard during the year and shown they are ready to grow as leaders. They are given the chance to not only learn about the skills, teamwork and strategy that goes into match play, but also connect with other girls who golf from other regions. That way, the girls foster friendships and connections that help them feel comfortable entering future tournaments, knowing they won’t be going at it alone. For Taylor, this aspect really hits home. As a teen, she, too, found herself choosing lacrosse tournaments over golf tournaments because she feared she wouldn’t know anyone at the latter. Another unique opportunity for Linville Cup participants is getting to know the captains. The weekend-long event includes a panel conversation where coaches like Taylor share how golf has influenced their lives off the course, what career paths it offers and what skills they learned through golf, such as etiquette and communication with elders. Taylor is the Player Development Director at the Golf Association of Philadelphia, and the other Linville Cup captains included Anna Redding, a former PKBT player who went on to hit the first tee shot at the inaugural Augusta National Women’s Amateur in 2019, as well as Emily Brooks, Social Media lead at Titleist.

WGGB is proud to support this exceptional opportunity for girls’ skill and leadership development.

Golf Galaxy Donates $15,000 to WGGB

WGGB was blessed with an incredible $15,000 donation from the Golf Galaxy stores in Devon, Montgomeryville and Oxford Valley via the DICK’S Sporting Goods Foundation’s Sports Matter Program. Ryan Carfara of the Devon Golf Galaxy presented the check to our grantees on the morning of our annual tournament and then joined our morning clinic to help our grantees improve their putting. Looks like he had as much fun as they did! Thank you to Golf Galaxy and Dick’s Sporting Goods for this incredible donation to Women Golfers Give Back!
Liv2BeKind Memorial
Charlotte Anstine, Girls’ Golf Revolution

On August 2, Applecross Country Club, in partnership with Eric Macluen from Girls’ Golf Revolution, hosted the annual Liv2BeKind Memorial, where young golfers take on the challenge to play 100 holes of golf in one day in memory of Alicia “Liv” Juliana. Golfers arrived at 2 or 3 AM to warm up with glo-balls and then hit the course at 4 AM, playing as many holes as they could in just over 16 hours.

On her hundredth hole, Women Golfers Give Back grantee Charlotte Anstine found herself on 18, surrounded by spectators as she accomplished the challenge. But she didn’t stop there! Charlotte’s personal goal was to play over 200 holes of golf and she finished the day with a monumental feat of 202 played.

Charlotte shared with WGGB how meaningful the cause behind the memorial is to her: “Similar to Liv, my grandmother “Mor Mor” struggled with mental health,” she said. “She suffered from severe depression and I understand what Liv’s family went through because I experienced it, too. My grandmother was the one who introduced me to golf and I am really thankful for her and the experiences she left with me. I never knew Liv but she made an impact on the golf program at Applecross. It was great to be able to participate in the event and honor Liv’s memory.”

First Tee of Greater Philadelphia
Alumnae Step Up and Give Back

Riley Quatermain, a star golfer for Haverford High School and now a freshman on the golf team at The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, is a leader on the golf course. But more importantly, she shows her leadership skills by giving back to the programs that helped her develop them.

Riley offered many virtual classes and golf tips for First Tee’s YouTube channel and really stepped up in 2020 too by getting her Haverford golf team to volunteer their time for classes when theirs canceled. A four-year letter winner at Haverford, Riley has played in four Peggy Kirk Bell Tournaments and she was the 2020 High School Central League medalist, shooting 72. She also placed second at the AJGA Golf Performance Center Junior Open.

YWCA Bethlehem

YWCA Bethlehem hosted its 19th season of LPGA-USGA Girls Golf in 2021. A total of 36 girls ages 6 to 13 participated in weekly lessons at Southmoore Golf Course, Wedgewood Golf Course and Bethlehem Golf Club led by PGA Pros Jim Muschlitz, Dawn Roberts and Mark Cesnicsits. They covered putting, chipping, driving, rules and etiquette and got to play holes on-course with instruction and guidance.

YWCA Bethlehem’s Teen Players Program provided advanced instruction at Southmoore and on-course play at multiple courses with PGA Pro Patrick Spang for six girls ages 12 – 16.

In addition to weekly clinics, many of the girls from both age groups attended special events including a Six-Hole Classic and mentoring event at Saucon Valley Country Club. During the season, the girls also enjoyed wonderful volunteer support from eight local women golfers who became mentors to them.

Program Director Jen Wanisko shared that the support of Women Golfers Give Back ensures that YWCA Bethlehem can provide positive golf experiences for girls in the Lehigh Valley that go beyond clinic instruction to offer on-course play, mentorship and socialization with other girls who share an interest in the game. We are proud to support the YWCA!